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VIA E-MAIL AND U.S. MAIL

Administrative Law Judge Sarah R. Thomas
California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue, Rm. 5012
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: A. 00-11-039, Application for Metromedia Fiber Network Services Inc. for Second
Modification of its CPCN (filed November 15, 2000)

Dear Judge Thomas:

By this letter, Metromedia Fiber Network Services, Inc. ("MFNS"), respectfully requests that the Commission hold in abeyance and defer further processing of the above-referenced application for environmental review and authority to construct additional advanced telecommunications network facilities in the Sacramento and San Diego metropolitan areas. This application has been pending before the Commission since November 15, 2000. The time and expense required under current Commission policies and procedures for review and approval of MFNS' network development has necessitated reconsideration of the company's business plans in California. As a result, MFNS does not desire to proceed further with this application at this time.

Very truly yours,

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